

Long Island Chapter

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Dear Mr. Colter,

I have reviewed the Navy's draft RCRA Facility Assessement dated January 1995, reporting on investigations of soil or groundwater contamination at four of the possible contamination sites at the Further investigations of soil and NWIRP, Calverton. N.Y. groundwater do appear warranted at two of the four sites (Coal Pile Storage Area, Jet Fuel Systems Lab/Engine Test House).

The draft RFA appears adequate, and I have no further comments at this time. The Nature Conservancy's primary interest is in learing about the local groundwater flow regime, and in the possibility of groundwater contamination reaching the ecologically sensitive coastal plain ponds located to the south and southwest of the NWIRP. I am looking forward to receiving the RFI due at the end of March, which you indicated should contain information on groundwater.

Sincerely,

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